THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN): (a) 25 broad categories of industries were delicensed in March, 1985. Subsequently, additional 82 bulk drugs and formulations based thereon, were also delicensed.

(b) to (d) It was announced in the press note dated 25th April, 1985 that the de-licensed industrial undertakings could apply for registration with the Secretariat for Industrial Approvals in the Department of Industrial Development. Registration is granted to the units which fulfil the following three conditions :—

(i) The industrial undertaking does not fall within the purview of MRTP Act or Foreign Exchange Regulation Act;

(ii) The article of manufacture is not reserved for small scale sector; and

(iii) The industrial undertaking is not located or proposed to be located :—

(1) Within the Standard Urban Limits, as determined in the Census of India, 1981, of a city having a population or more than 10 lakhs; and

(2) Within the Municipal Limits of a city with a population of more than 5 lakhs; as determined in the said Census.

**Recommendations of Committee of Secretaries on use of foreign trade marks**

645. SHRI SURESH KALMADI:

SHRI DHARAM CHANDER PRASHANT:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a committee of secretaries has recommended to readily allow the use of foreign trade marks; and

(b) if so, how does a foreign trade mark help the quality of a product?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN): (a) and (b) There has been no change in Government's policy of not allowing foreign brand names on internal sales.

**Price rise by tyre and tube manufacturers**

646. DR. H. P. SHARMA:

SHRI INDRADEEP SINHA:

SHRI N. E. BALARAM:

SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the All India Motor Transport Congress has sought a comprehensive action plan by Government to tackle the unilateral price rise by manufacturers of tyres and tubes;

(b) if so, whether this demand arose as a result of a sharp rise in prices of various types of auto tyres and tubes during the past one and a half year;

(c) the extent of rise in prices of each type of tyres/tubes registered during the period; and

(d) what is the Government's response to this demand?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN): (a) and (b) Following the post-budget increase in price of tyres. The All India Motor Transport Congress have suggested certain measures to achieve a fair and reasonable pricing policy for tyres.

(c) and (d) Indian Tyre Industry manufactures over two hundred varieties of tyres with about five hundred tread patterns. The price of